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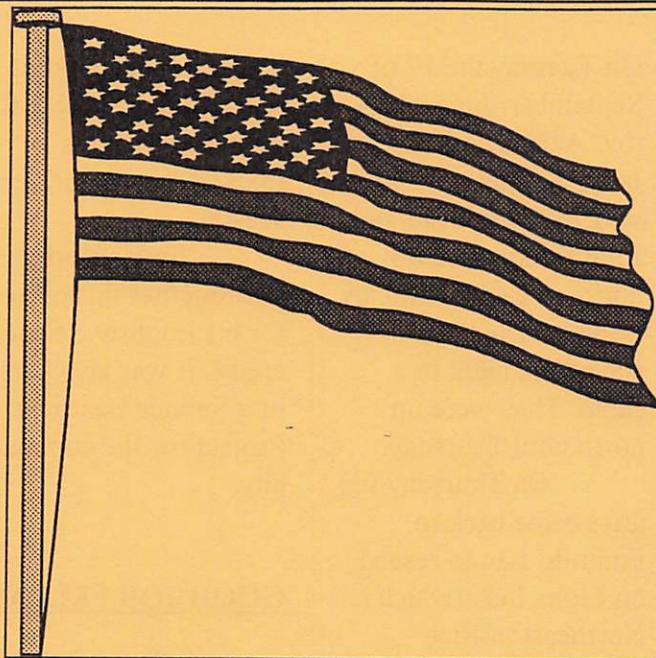


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Students Attend Respect Day At OJS!!!

Monday and Tuesday were respect days at the Fond-du-Lac Ojibwe school. On Monday students went to sessions such as: talking circle, handbook overlook, TLC, sportsmanship, video on respect, and definitions of the characteristics of respect. Any student that missed any of these days would spend a day in the TLC room and have to work out of the feared (BIG BLACK BOOK), also known as The American Indian Outcome Book. If they didn't do that, they would be appointed to attend Saturday school. If they chose not to be present at Saturday school, then they would be dropped from the roster. On Tuesday, each class had their own activities to do while spending the day with their advisor. A variety of activities were completed based on what was learned on Monday.



Students in grades 9-12 went to vice president Al Gore's rally at the DECC on Wednesday October 23.

One Students View!!!

If this school is closed down, a lot of the high school students would drop out of school. Most of the students don't want to go to a public school because of the racism there. This school has brought some of the traditional ways to the students. Many of the students didn't know much about their culture before they came here. We wouldn't be able to practice our traditional ways in a public school. How would the rez turn out if the school closed and the students dropped out? There would be a lot of people without jobs. Building a new school would benefit the rez and the students. The students would get an education, then get a job and then they would be able to afford a house. Another point I have is why give the vote to the people that have nothing to do with the school or that have never been to the school to see what is really going on?! People always hear about what we do wrong, they never hear about the good things that we do. For example. *see viewpoint p2*

How Important is Education?

It has come to the attention of the Fond-du-Lac R.B.C that the upgrading of the 6-12 Ojibwe School is a priority. The administration & school board met with the RBC members with plans in mind for a new school. The plans were to renovate the gymnasium for a 6-12 school. This is very questionable because of how some people feel. Many of the RBC members feel that the schools, (K-5&6-12) should be separated.

By having the 6-12 school at the old gym, we would be even closer to the other schools. The reason some people feel this way is because of their thoughts that the older students often use bad language, push and shove, and are disrespectful when around the younger children. These speculations of us up here at the High School have been made to people by parents voicing that their child is learning bad *see education pg 3*

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Photoshoot Project at Molsteds!

On Wednesday October 9th, eight Ojibwe School students participated in a photo shoot at Molsteds Resort. Karen O'leary, Marketing Director for Black Bear Casino, approached Kim Granberg (principal at OJS) and Amy Bergstrom (English & A.D at OJS) during the 1996 Canoe Races to participate in this event. Karen is doing this project for the 1997 F.D.L calender. The students did various dances to the beat of the drum.

By Jared S wader



Mahnomen Reseeding Project

On Tuesday the 17 of September, Junior Korby, Azhibik Aubid, Jared Swader, and advisors Joe Martineau and John Henry riced up north on Cabin Lake, by Isabella. The boys stayed the night in a cabin. They were up north until Thursday.

On Thursday the guys came back to Fond-du-Lac to reseed on Liona Lake(which is Northeast of Rice Lake.)

The purpose for doing this project was to bring the rice from Cabin Lake and replant it in Liona Lake. By re-

seeding Liona Lake it will make it possible for the lake to have a thicker growth for next season.

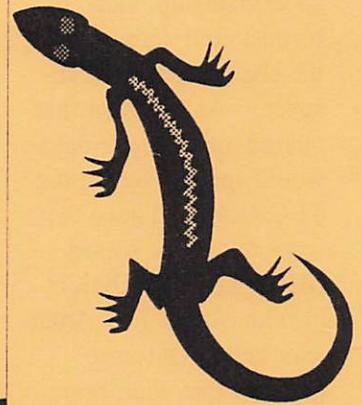
Junior Korby put together this project for his English/ Science credit. It was also part of a Service Learning Project for the community.

GOOD JOB FELLAS!



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the Drum and Dance Troupe. They go to other schools and educate others about what our culture is like. According to classmates the recreational activities have kept students out of trouble both in school and at home. These activities are football, volleyball, basketball, golf, softball, as well as open gym.



OJS ENDS VOLLEYBALL SEASON!!

Good Job Girls!!!!!!

The 96' girls volleyball team had a good season. Their record was 7 wins and 3 loses. They started off with a strong team and ended up with only a couple of A team players that finished the season. I give credit to those girls who hung in there and gave it their all. They are as follows: Michelle Dick- 9 gr. Belva Polonia-10 gr. Charmaine Bellanger-8 gr. Amy LeGore-11 gr. Leah Goodwin- 11 gr. Theresa Urrutia-9 gr.

By Leah Goodwin

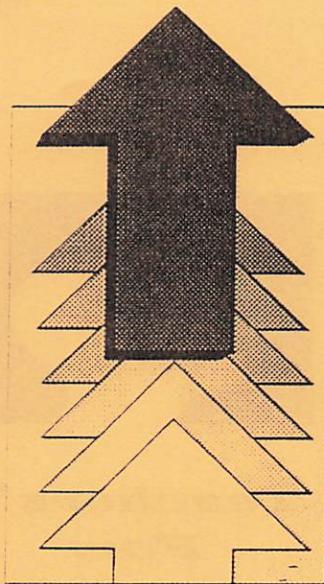
The Ballots Are In!

The 1996-1997 school year student council representatives have been picked. They are as follows:

- 6th grade--Chaz Legore
- 7th grade-- Jeffery Petite
- 8th grade-- Bert Rider
- 9th grade-- Brandon Legore
- 10th grade-- Pat Defoe
- 11th grade-- Amy Legore
- 12th grade-- Dale Peacock

All student council meetings are held after school from 2:30-3:00. The new members already have issues they need to discuss on their first meeting. The issue that they will be focused on is raising money for the homecoming. The student council advisor will be Lisa Oji again for year two. Thank you Lisa!!

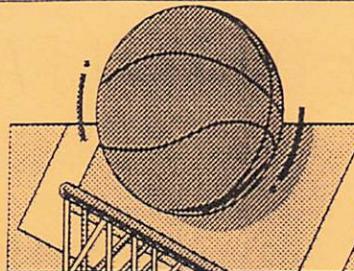
If you have any issues that you would like addressed, please let your class student council member know. Thank you for your time. Amy LeGore



Drum -N- Dance

The Drum and Dance Troupe is now working on revising skits that we use to teach people about the Anishinabe culture. We would like any singers with voices and dancers with outfits, to join our Dance troupe. You don't need to be in the elective class, just come and join us!! We are also planning on making outfits and drumsticks for those interested in the troupe.

MIIGWECH!!!!



Basketball season for both boys and girls at the Fond du Lac Ojibwe School will begin shortly.

Official practice for girls begins on Thursday, November 14. Practice for boys begins on Monday, November 18. Practice begins after school and will run until 5 O'clock for the first two days of girls practice and will run until 6 O'clock when the boys begin.

Players, see your coaches to find out whether you are practicing early or late. Also, get your eligibility and physical forms in.

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behavior here at the Ojibwe School.

It was also brought up at the meeting that according to the foundation that accredits us, our school will only be licensed to give out GED's if renovation of our building does not happen within the next year.

Just the other day I was asked to give some people a tour of our school. These people just happened to be a lawyer and an attorney for the State of Minnesota. As I was giving them a tour, we came to a classroom with about 20 students studying. In this room there were 3 buckets placed in different areas of the classroom. The buckets were placed there to catch the water dripping from the ceiling. I felt so embarrassed about our school. Many other students in the school have the same feeling as I. Student Jeffery Petite in 7th grade feels that this building has a lot of problems. He goes on to say, "This school is falling in on us." (for real) The old reservation government was said that when the leaders and people made decisions they made them for the seven generations to come. It seems that we have lost this value somewhere along the way. We here at the Ojibwe School are the future and people need to open their eyes and see that education is the key to the future. In order for us to help our people we must be educated!

Amy LeGore

By Jared Swader



Conflicts With Education!

So what's this I hear about a new school getting turned down. Also I've heard the possibilities of the school closing down through the winter because of the condition of the building. If they do this the students close to graduation will have to go to a public school, where you need 21 credits as opposed to 18. That means we will be basically out of luck for graduating on time.

Another reason why this shouldn't be done is because kids coming from here and going to a public school would be faced with racism and preconceived thoughts and ideas about Indian Students. This would probably lead to a lot of students dropping out of school.

As a student at the Ojibwe School, I was wondering why the people wouldn't be more supportive of a new school? Just think what a high school diploma will do for us. It will lead to better jobs and less unemployment.

Anonymous

EDITORIAL & OPINION PAGE.....

If this school gets shut down many of the students here will more than likely drop out of school. This school is not as bad as people see or hear it to be. We have many good aspects at the Fond du Lac Ojibwe School. There is Student Council, Drum and Dance, and many other positive activities going on for all students. People should look into the future and think about the importance of education for the Anishinaabe instead of thinking about themselves, because we are the future. People out there apparently are more worried about themselves than our future education. People should take the time to come and see what the students at the Ojibwe School are doing that is positive, but it seems they only want to see the negative things going on. Don't judge us all by what a few of the kids do that is negative, most of us really like this school and want an education to bring it back to our people. As Anishinaabe in the white society, this school is the only school around that prepares us students to survive in the two worlds. If this school closed, the tra-

Con't - ditions would be lost by many of our people because we are not allowed to practice them in public schools.

anonymous

"Cutting Teachers" Against: For:

The teachers cutting in line during breakfast & lunch is begining to bother some students at the F.D.L Ojibwe school. I think the teachers should have to wait in line just like the students have to. They shouldn't have special privilage in the breakfast & lunch line, just because they're teachers. I know they have to hurry up and eat because they have work to do, but so do the students. We both, (students & staff) have to start class at the same time. Some people say letting a teacher cut is respectful, but I think it's disrespectful for teachers to cut, it's like they're saying they are more important than us. NO CUTTING is a rule in the lunch & breakfast line, but yet teachers get to break it.

Anonymous



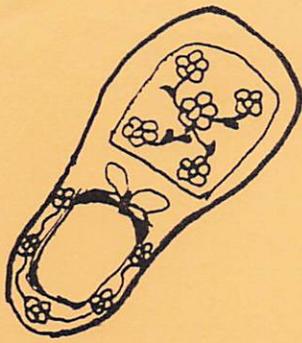
I have different feelings about teachers cutting in line.

I think that the teachers do have the right to be ahead of the line beacuse of the respect for our elders, especially like Amy, George, Margert etc.

The reason I say this is because it's part of our culture and it's done out of respect.

Another reason is with only half an hour for lunch the teachers need to be back up here for class. It's alright if we're a little late because the teachers will usually excuse us if it's because of the line. The reason it's important for the teachers to be here on time is because if they're not up here with the doors open then it can get crazy in the halls.

Anonymous



THE FUN PAGE



STUDENT SUPER SEARCH

No puzzle description
No hidden words or phrases

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